

MINUTES
NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, December 3, 2003
1st Floor, One Civic Center

Present: Chairman John Shultz
Vice Chair Patty Badenoch
Commissioners Sue Alsworth, John Horwitz (arrived 5:45 PM)
Dick Kiesell and George Knowlton

Absent: Nancy Wendorf (arrived 5:36 PM & left ill at 5:50 PM)

Staff Present: Raun Keagy, Joanie Mead, Larry Person

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

A regular meeting of the Neighborhood Enhancement Commission was called to order at 5:31 PM and members were present as stated above.

APPROVAL OF 11/05/03 MEETING MINUTES

VICE CHAIR BADENOCH MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 5, 2003 MINUTES. COMMISSIONER KNOWLTON SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED 5-0.

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE COMMISSION ACTION ON THE UPCOMING ENVIROKIDS FEST '04 – MICHELLE COHEN, ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY BOARD

Michelle Cohen and Larry Person were present to discuss events planned for April 2004 in conjunction with Earth Day. Invitations have been sent to schools seeking student participants in EnviroKids Fest to be held 4/16/04 at WestWorld and about 3,000 students are expected. A schedule of events was distributed.

Commissioner Kiesell noted that Scottsdale Healthcare holds an event every April for students as well and requested the dates be checked so as not to conflict with each other.

Ms. Cohen said these events were being presented to all Boards and Commissions to see if they wanted to get involved, and, if so, prepare a Resolution to be sent to the Mayor and Council. Volunteers were being sought for the events and monetary donations would be appreciated as well. Anyone wishing to help could contact Mr. Person at 312-7889. Mr. Person said they were also looking for corporate sponsors and a way to utilize alternative fuel buses for busing the children from schools. He thought the event would cost around \$5000.

VICED CHAIR BADENOCH MOVED TO PLACE THIS ITEM ON NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA FOR ACTION IN REGARD TO THE RESOLUTION AND FUNDING. COMMISSIONER KIESELL SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED 7-0.

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Ms. Cohen also noted she had distributed to each Commissioner a copy of the Indicator's Report and urged them to read it.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE COMMISSION ACTION ON A NEIGHBORHOOD
ENHANCEMENT PARTNERSHIP (NEP) REQUEST FROM THE VILLA D'ESTE
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Jeanne Levy, 6914 E Exeter Blvd, 85251, presented her application for \$1550.91 in NEP funding for continuation of a landscaping project for which they had received \$5000 from the Commission two years before.

COMMISSIONER KIESELL MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF \$1550.91 FOR THIS PROJECT.
COMMISSIONER KNOWLTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

Responding to Chairman Shultz, Ms. Levy said she found the new process being used this year for funding to be very interesting and straight-forward and said she enjoyed going to the class.

Vice Chair Badenoch explained she would not support the motion because she found this area to be very beautifully maintained and did not see a dire necessity for this funding.

THE MOTION FOR APPROVAL CARRIED 5-1 WITH VICE CHAIR BADENOCH DISSENTING.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE COMMISSION ACTION ON A NEIGHBORHOOD
ENHANCEMENT PARTNERSHIP (NEP) REQUEST FROM THE ISLANDS AT SCOTTSDALE
RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Richard Woelkers, 10097 E Bayview Dr, 85258, presented the application and explained how the electrical fixtures have been deteriorating over the last few years but the Board elected to spend money on pool repairs. Now there was a safety concern and they could also be saving energy with a low voltage system.

Commissioner Knowlton expressed his concern about the Association deferring maintenance on this electrical system and Commissioner Kiesell agreed this was unacceptable.

COMMISSIONER KNOWLTON MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF \$2500 IN NEP FUNDING WITH THE STIPULATION THAT MAINTENANCE SHOULD OCCUR ON A REGULAR BASIS.
COMMISSIONER KIESELL SECONDED THE MOTION.

Commissioner Alsworth said she did not agree with the stipulation but agreed with the motion. Mr. Woelkers said he had no problem with it because he knew three years was too long to wait to fix something. Commissioner Horwitz said he had no problem with the proviso either.

THE MOTION CARRIED 5/1 WITH VICE CHAIR BADENOCH DISSENTING.

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**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE COMMISSION ACTION ON A NEIGHBORHOOD
ENHANCEMENT PARTNERSHIP (NEP) REQUEST FROM THE GOLDEN KEYS
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**

Bob Will, 6306 E Catalina Dr, 85251, presented the application and described this community with many single elderly women, as well as their past efforts to make it a safer neighborhood. Police officers had made recommendations in the past in regard to closing off access from the canal, planting shrubbery, lighting, and raising the height of a wall, and this neighborhood had received about \$3600 from the Commission at that time. The officers have revisited the neighborhood and made further recommendations in regard to the alley and street lighting. Even though their electric bill will go up tremendously, the association felt this was necessary for the safety of the residents.

Responding to Commissioner Alsworth, Mr. Will said the association would likely put this project on hold if the funding was not approved tonight.

COMMISSIONER KNOWLTON MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF \$2005 IN NEP FUNDING FOR THIS PROJECT. VICE CHAIR BADENOCH SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED 6-0.

Ms. Mead said this application would be used as an example in future classes because it was done so well.

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE COMMISSION ACTION ON A NEIGHBORHOOD
ENHANCEMENT PARTNERSHIP (NEP) REQUEST FROM THE SCOTTSDALE EAST
HOMES COOPERATIVE**

Gene Sego, 8210 E Garfield St, 85257, presented the application and described their desire to convert three grassy areas to desert landscaping because their yearly water bills were over \$50,000. He also discussed safety and environmental concerns associated with the water.

COMMISSIONER KIESELL MOVED FOR APPROVAL OF \$2202.50 IN NEP FUNDING. COMMISSIONER KNOWLTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

Responding to Chairman Shultz, Mr. Keagy said the city's water rebate program should be available for this project as well and the association should look in to that.

THE MOTION FOR APPROVAL CARRIED 6-0.

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STAFF AND COMMISSION UPDATES (A.R.S. 38-431.02 (K))

Discussion was held regarding the new process and how well it went. Ms. Mead said more applicants were expected in the spring. The next training session will be held in March for applications due in May, and it was decided to give applicants a little more time to prepare. Tonight's actions resulted in expenditures of \$8,258.41 out of the \$30,000 available. Commissioner Alsworth felt some HOAs might think the new process was too much work for too little money.

Discussion was held in regard to Aberdeen Coop (south of Roosevelt and East of Hayden) who made a request of Ms. Mead whether they qualified for funding to replace main electrical breakers in their complex. These provided lighting for grounds as well as internal units and the cost would be around \$50,000. Many Commissioners felt this was a maintenance issue and not covered by the guidelines. Staff will do more background research and follow up on this issue.

Ms. Mead discussed the meeting she attended of the LINKS group. She will send an e-mail to Commissioners to let them know the next meeting date.

OPEN CALL TO THE PUBLIC (ARS 38-431.02) - None

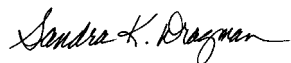
NEXT MEETING DATE AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting date will be January 7, 2004 PM and election of officers will take place.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sandy Dragman
Recording Secretary